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VIA ECF

Honorable Steven M. Gold **United States District Court** Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: Ronda Peters v. City of New York, et al.,

16-CV-1943 (AMD)(SMG)

Your Honor:

I am an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the office of Zachary W. Carter, Corporation Counsel of the City of New York, and attorney for defendant City of New York in the above-referenced matter. I write jointly on behalf of both parties to request that the settlement conference currently scheduled for December 5, 2016 be adjourned sine die. The reason for this request is that after conferring and conducting preliminary settlement discussions, the parties have determined that it will be difficult to reach a settlement agreement in this matter without first taking the plaintiff's deposition. To that end, the parties have scheduled plaintiff's deposition to take place on December 15, 2016. The parties have agreed that they will jointly notify the Court should any such conference be necessary following the deposition.

Thank you for your consideration regarding the within request.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Joseph Gutmann Assistant Corporation Counsel cc: <u>VIA ECF</u>

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Attorney for Plaintiff